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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re the Application of:

- ✓ KIRA, et al.
- ✓ Serial Number: 08/897,953
- ✓ Filed: July 24, 1997
- ✓ For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE



Group Art Unit: 2814

Examiner: D. Graybill

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: May 30, 2000

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated November 30, 1999 of the Primary Examiner.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. A petition for a third month extension of time to respond to the Final Rejection filed herewith.
2. A timely response to the Final Rejection has been filed, as provided in 37 C.F.R. 1.113.
3. Fee -\$300.00 or Small Entity -\$150.00

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 Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)
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In the event this Notice of Appeal is not considered to be timely filed, applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this Notice.

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